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FADE IN:

EXT. SPACE

We PUSH THROUGH a swirling mass of clouds to see EARTH in its infancy: a swirling orb of blue with unrecognizable land masses surrounded by gaseous clouds.

NARRATOR

A long time ago, at least 3500 million years ago...

PUSH INTO the OCEAN - A swirling mass of BUBBLES cover CAMERA.

NARRATOR (CONT)

The earliest form of life made its first appearance on earth.

As the bubbles clear, first one, then two, then dozens of single-celled creatures swim INTO SHOT.

NARRATOR (CONT)

These single-celled creatures developed and grew, and changed a million times over...

As the single-celled creatures move OUT OF SHOT, a lobe-finned fish, the EUSTHENOPTERON, swims INTO SHOT. The lobe-finned fish TAKES at something OS then darts OUT OF SHOT as an ICHTHYOSTEGA, a primordial fish creature with primitive legs swims IN. WE FOLLOW this strange fish-thing as it swims then...

NARRATOR (CONT)

Until, at last, there was a creature able to leave the sea...

EXT. OCEAN - DAY

We watch as the Ichthyostega fish-thing crawls onto dry land for the very first time.

NARRATOR (CONT)

And to crawl out into an unknown world.

The fish-thing regards the strange world it has come into contact with.

POV - All around him is lush, tropical foliage... Paradise! ON FISH - As the fish-thing crawls OUT OF SHOT...

NARRATOR (CONT)
From this small fish-like creature came hundreds of other animals...

CAMERA SHAKES as we hear the OS sound of STOMPING.

NARRATOR (CONT)
The mightiest of which was called...

PULL BACK TO INCLUDE A FULL SHOT OF A SPINOSAURUS as he stomps INTO VIEW.

SPINOSAURUS

(Growl!)

NARRATOR (CONT)

The dinosaur!

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. MYSTERIOUS BEYOND - DAY

A DASPLETOSAURUS and a PACHYRHINOSAURUS face off, preparing for battle.

DASPLETOSAURUS/PACHYRHINOSAURUS (Snarls and screams)

NARRATOR (CONT)

For most of the earth's dinosaurs, life was filled with danger.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GREAT VALLEY - DAY

A herd of $\mbox{\sc HADROSAURUS}$ dinosaurs graze on a profusion of flowering plants.

NARRATOR (CONT)
But for the fortunate leafeating dinosaurs of the Great
Valley...

As we PAN a wooded area, we see a few CENTROSAURUS dinosaurs using their powerful jaws to rip away at low growing trees.

NARRATOR (CONT) ...life was peaceful.

We PAN UPWARD to the sky to FOLLOW a flying CEARADACTYLUS. The flying creature swoops low over the water and just misses snapping up a leaping fish, before flying off.

NARRATOR (CONT) And food plentiful.

PULL BACK to find Long Necks, Three-horns and several other variety of dinosaurs all quenching their thirsts at the watering hole while a GREAT WATERFALL THUNDERS in the background.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GREAT VALLEY - DAY

ESTABLISH a peaceful hilly knoll.

NARRATOR (CONT)
The Great Valley was the perfect place for children like Littlefoot, the long neck...

Suddenly, Littlefoot, then Cera, Spike, Ducky and Petrie come barreling over the rise kicking a large, round rock in front of them as if playing soccer.

KIDS (Loud, raucous giggles)

As the Narrator describes each of our heroes, CAMERA FAVORS them. FOLLOW THE KIDS as they play.

NARRATOR (CONT)
Cera, the three-horn, Ducky
the swimmer, Petrie the flyer
and Spike the spike-tail, to
grow and learn and play.

Littlefoot kicks the rock ball out ahead.

LITTLEFOOT

I got it!

Then, PETRIE, dives in from the side just as the rock ball comes to a stop.

PETRIE Now me got it!

He kicks the rock ball hard--unmoving it, but causing himself to bounce off of it and THUNK to the ground.

PETRIE (CONT)
(Short exertion) Ow! Oof!

ON SPIKE, DUCKY riding on his head - charging in after the rock ball.

DUCKY

Go, Spike!

Spike dives on top of the rock ball, body slamming into the ground. WHAM!

CLOSER - as Ducky climbs off Spike.

DUCKY (CONT)

Did you get it, Spike? Did you, huh?

WIDER - Unsure, Spike lifts himself back up to all fours while Ducky takes a look.

DUCKY'S POV - The rock ball is now a pile of pebbles and dust.

ON DUCKY - turning to Spike and giggling.

DUCKY (CONT)

(giggling)

Yep, yep, yep! You got it!

ON CERA - finding another "rock" ball near a partially crumbling boulder.

CERA

(sing-song)

I found another one! I found another one!

She kicks the new rock ball OS. WHACK!

FOLLOW ROCK BALL as it rolls INTO SHOT with three sets of strange feet. One foot stops the rock ball. PAN UPWARDS to find three new kids: HYP, NOD, and MUTT. Smaller than his larger cohorts, Hyp (Hypsilophondon) is a bully to the max. Lording over others, especially those smaller than him, is his favorite pastime. His one real asset is his nimble movement and sprinting ability—a specialty of his kind. NOD, a Panoplosaurus nodosaur, is nervous and fast—talking (think Cowardly Lion) while MUTT is a slow moving and thinking Muttaburrasaurus. These bullies are older and bigger than our heroes and constantly use that to their

advantage.

Hyp, his foot on the rock ball, holds it possessively as our gang runs INTO SHOT.

ON LITTLEFOOT, CERA, DUCKY, SPIKE AND PETRIE - looking breathlessly, yet playfully toward the new kids.

LITTLEFOOT

(breathlessly)

Hi, Hyp. Can we have our rock back, please?

ON NOD, MUTT and HYP - glowering back at our heroes.

HYP

Your rock? Who said it was your rock?

Nod chimes in. He's the perfect flunky.

NOD

Yeah, who said it was your rock? Who said?! Who said?

There's a beat, as if Nod and Hyp were waiting for Mutt to say something. Finally, they turn to him and give him a "look." Mutt looks at them stupidly for a moment then catches on. He turns to the kids and says challengingly:

TTUM

Oh! Aaa, yeah?!

ON OUR GANG, FAVORING LITTLEFOOT - who smiles uneasily.

LITTLEFOOT

Well, gee, no one... We were just playing with it.

CERA steps forward impatiently.

CERA

So give it back, Hyp!

CLOSER - Hyp sticks his head IN next to hers.

HYP

But I didn't hear you say pleeeze!

Cera's dander is up.

CERA

That's because I didn't!

She pushes her nose up against Hyp's.

CERA (CONT)

Grrr!

Hyp pushes back.

HYP

GRRRR!

WIDER - Littlefoot butts his head in between the two.

LITTLEFOOT

Hey!

He smiles hopefully.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Maybe we could all play... together!

ON DUCKY, SPIKE AND PETRIE - happily nodding in agreement.

PETRIE

Good idea, Littlefoot! We ALL play!

DUCKY

Yep, yep, yep! The more the betterer!

Spike just grins.

SPIKE

(Grinning sound)

ON NOD, MUTT AND HYP - Hyp turns to his pals.

HYP

Whaddya think, guys? Wanna play with these...

WIDEN TO INCLUDE OUR HEROES, who take as Hyp turns to indicate them.

HYP (CONT)

Babies?

ON OUR GANG, FAVORING CERA - Cera reacts angrily.

CERA

Babies?! Who's he calling

babies?!

CLOSER DUCKY - who shrugs.

DUCKY

Us?

ON PETRIE - ruffled.

PETRIE

Hurumph! Me no baby!

He puffs up his chest.

PETRIE (CONT)

Me bilig!

Hyp leans IN to confront Petrie, who deflates.

HYP

Yeah! A big baby!

PETRIE (deflating)

Phooo...

ON NOD, HYP AND MUTT - laughing.

HOD/MUTT/HYP

(Mocking laughter)

ON LITTLEFOOT - Petrie flaps up to Littlefoot's head to sit and stew.

PETRIE

Me no like them!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE CERA - pawing the ground angrily.

CERA

Me neither! I'll show 'em!

As Cera charges PAST CAMERA, Littlefoot calls after her.

LITTLEFOOT

Cera!

ON CERA - still charging.

CERA

I'm busy!

ON NOD, MUTT, AND HYP - making silly taunting faces.

NOD/MUTT/HYP

Nyah! Nyah!/Try and get

us!/Yeah, yeah, try!

Suddenly, they react to a horrific RUMBLING and CAMERA SHAKES.

HYP

Whoa! What's that?

NOD

It's a, a, a...

ON CERA - skidding to a halt and terrified.

CERA

Earthshake! (Scream!)

ANGLE ON SKY - as a shower of METEORITES streak across the sky. ZOOM! ZOOM! ZOOM!

ANGLE ON KIDS AND BULLIES - watching the sky with awe and fear.

LITTLEFOOT/CERA/PETRIE Wow!/What is it?!/Rocks fly?!

ANOTHER ANGLE - Hyp flees in terror, his buddies following--leaving the awed kids behind.

HYP

Flying rocks! Aaaaaa!!!

MUTT/NOD

Yaaaa!!!

CAMERA FOLLOWS ONE GIANT METEORITE as it ZOOMS into the horizon and CRASHES somewhere beyond. It's a stunning effect of dust and debris that explodes into the sky with a fireworks display of sound and color.

BACK ON KIDS - reacting fearfully to the CAMERA SHAKES and loud EXPLOSIONS.

KIDS

(Screams!)

ANGLE ON MOUNTAINSIDE NEXT TO KIDS - Suddenly it begins to give way in a huge rock slide. CRACK!

THE KIDS - react in fear, then scatter in all directions.

KIDS

(Screams!)

ON CERA - fleeing.

CERA

Daddy!

ON DUCKY, PETRIE AND SPIKE - fleeing.

PETRIE/DUCKY

Mama!

ON LITTLEFOOT - fleeing.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandma! Grandpa!

WIDE - The kids scoot out of the way just seconds before rocks and debris CRASH into the very spot they just vacated.

ON QUETZALCOATLUS NEST - sitting on mountain ledge overlooking the Valley. The MOTHER QUETZALCOATLUS spreads her enormous wing span protectively over her three young as the mountain threatens to give way under them. RUMBLE! As rocks and debris begin to rain down on them, the mother urges her children to fly away.

BABY QUESTZALCOATLUS'S (Frightened chirps)

MOTHER QUETZALCOATLUS Fly, children! Fly!

Mother and three children take to the air just seconds before their nest and the ledge give way. CRACK!

ON HERD OF IGUANODONS - fleeing the falling rocks and debris of another mountainside as it gives way. CRACK!

IGUANODON

Ruuun!

VARIOUS SHOT of Great Valley mountainsides giving way. ON LITTLEFOOT - running TOWARD CAMERA.

LITTLEFOOT (Heavy panting)

ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - running through a grove of trees as everything around them RUMBLES. They spot Littlefoot.

GRANDMA

Littlefoot!

LITTLEFOOT runs INTO SHOT between them and huddles for security as the world shakes around him.

LITTLEFOOT (Terrified, heavy breathing)

GRANDPA AND GRANDMA close in around him, protecting him as the SHAKES continue.

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - his eyes full of fear.

WIDER - Suddenly, they all react to an OS TREE-CRACKING SOUND.

ALL THREE take TOWARD CAMERA.

GRANDMA/GRANDPA/LITTLEFOOT

Gasp!

THEIR POV - A huge TREE is falling straight towards them. ON GRANDMA, GRANDPA - shoving Littlefoot out of the way before them.

GRANDPA

Look out!

The tree falls INTO SHOT just missing them. CAMERA SHAKES STOP.

ON GRANDPA, AND GRANDMA - looking toward the fallen tree and sighing their relief.

GRANDMA

(relieved)

Well, that certainly was close.

GRANDPA

Yes, we were very lucky.

Suddenly, Grandma looks around.

GRANDMA

Littlefoot?!

ON LITTLEFOOT - peeking out from a small cavern made from heavily tangled roots.

LITTLEFOOT

I'm in here, Grandma.

Grandma and Grandpa LEAN IN next to him.

GRANDMA

Are you all right, little one?

Littlefoot nods but stays put.

GRANDPA

(gently)

Would you like to come out now?

Reassured, Littlefoot nods then crawls out.

LITTLEFOOT

Gee... that wasn't a regular kinda earthshake was it?

UPSHOT ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - looking down toward Littlefoot

GRANDPA

No, Littlefoot, it wasn't.

DOWNSHOT ON LITTLEFOOT - looking up with wide-eyed curiosity.

LITTLEFOOT Then what kind was it?

UPSHOT ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - The sky behind them is beginning to show the signs of the approaching night. Grandpa and Grandma exchange looks then:

GRANDMA

(Sigh) We don't know, Littlefoot. Perhaps it had to do with those great rocks falling from the sky.

ON LITTLEFOOT - brightening.

LITTLEFOOT

Oh, yeah! I saw 'em!

Littlefoot turns to look toward the colorful horizon.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

And I saw that big one land somewhere in the Mysterious Beyond!

He turns to his grandparents eagerly.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

I sure wish we could go find it!

ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - Grandma takes at this but Grandpa understands.

GRANDPA

Yes, that would be an adventure now wouldn't it?

LITTLEFOOT nods eagerly.

ON GRANDMA

GRANDMA

Well I think we've had enough adventure for one day.

She begins leading them off.

GRANDMA (CONT)

Come. It's time to settle down for the night.

ON LITTLEFOOT AND GRANDPA - hanging back for a moment. They look toward the horizon where the meteorite fell. The sky is still filled with fading starbursts of color but calm has returned.

LITTLEFOOT

It's beautiful, isn't it,
Grandpa?

Grandpa, despite all that he has seen in his years is still awed and humbled by the sight.

GRANDPA

Yes, Littlefoot, beautiful and mysterious as is so much in our world.

He looks at his grandson lovingly...

GRANDPA (CONT)

Oh well...

...then turns to look back at the now fading starburst as dusk settles in.

GRANDPA (CONT)

At least the danger has passed.

PUSH IN ON THEN HOLD ON FADING STARBURST...

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GIANT WATERFALL - THE NEXT MORNING

WIDE SHOT ON WATERFALL - As CAMERA PULLS BACK, we see how the waterfall ends in a river that flows through the Great Valley until it ends in a big lake that is the Valley's main watering hole.

PUSH IN ON LAKE. Various herds, including Littlefoot and his Grandparents, eat and drink peacefully under the soft

WATERY ROAR of the now distant waterfall. Then, suddenly, the waterfall's flow becomes thinner and thinner until it is no more.

ON STEGOSAURUS FEMALE ADULT - who stops her grazing to look up at the waterfall which has suddenly grown quiet. She gasps in horror.

STEGOSAURUS ADULT FEMALE (Gasp!) What?!

ANOTHER ANGLE as she turns toward other watering dinosaurs.

STEGOSAURUS ADULT FEMALE (CONT)

Look, everyone!

ON WATERING DINOSAURS - All eyes turn toward the dried up waterfall. The dinosaurs are surprised, bewildered and afraid.

STEGOSAURUS ADULT FEMALE (CONT) Where did the water go?

CLOSER DINOSAURS - their distress growing.

DINOSAURS

It stopped flowing!/How can that be?!/What will we do without water?!

ON GRANDPA, GRANDMA AND LITTLEFOOT - looking at the waterfall with bewilderment.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandpa? Why did the Thundering Falls stop?

GRANDPA -

I don't know, Littlefoot.

ON GRANDPA - as Grandma looks to him with worry.

GRANDPA (CONT)

I don't know...

Grandma LEANS down to Littlefoot.

GRANDMA

Littlefoot, go and play. Grandpa and I must talk with the other grown-ups.

Littlefoot eagerly agrees and runs off.

LITTLEFOOT

Sure, Grandma! See ya later, Grandpa!

ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - They watch Littlefoot run off then worriedly approach the other nervously huddled dinosaurs.

DINOSAURS

(worried)

This has never happened before!/What will we do?

ON LITTLEFOOT - running happily towards the hilly knoll.

LITTLEFOOT

Hey, guys!

ON SPIKE, DUCKY AND PETRIE - coming together from opposite directions as Littlefoot runs IN.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Guess what happened to the Thundering Falls?!

ON DUCKY AND SPIKE - Ducky shushes Littlefoot.

DUCKY

(sotto)

Shhh! We are trying to find Cera. She has hided from us.

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - protesting when Petrie flaps to the top of his head and collapses dramatically.

LITTLEFOOT

But-

PETRIE

Uh!! Me no find Cera anywhere!

Littlefoot's eyes shift up to Petrie.

LITTLEFOOT

Guess what, Petrie?!

Petrie drapes his head down so that he's looking Littlefoot straight in the eye.

PETRIE

What? You no find Cera either?

ON CERA - sneaking up on her friends from behind.

CERA

Hee-heee!

BACK ON KIDS (NO CERA) - FAVORING DUCKY

DUCKY

Cera is a very good hider, she is!

Suddenly, they react to:

CERA (OS)

BOO!

The kids gasp then part to reveal a very pleased with herself, Cera.

LITTLEFOOT/DUCKY/PETRIE/SPIKE

Gasp!

CERA

(Giggle!) (sing-song) I scared you, I scared you! I did!

TIGHT ON PETRIE

PETRIE

You no scare me, Cera. Me unscare-able!

He reacts to:

LITTLEFOOT (OS)

(nasal)

Petrie?

PULL BACK TO SEE Petrie clinging tightly to Littlefoot's snout.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

(nasal)

You're hurting my nose.

Petrie takes at Littlefoot then, embarrassed, let's go.

PETRIE

Oh, sorry.

He plops to the ground and smiles sheepishly.

PETRIE (CONT)

Me no know my own strength.

ON CERA - happily addressing the group.

CERA

Now who's going to hide?

She eyes Littlefoot challenginly.

CERA (CONT)

Littlefoot?

ON LITTLEFOOT - impatient.

LITTLEFOOT

Okay, but first I wanna tell you something!

ON KIDS, FAVORING CERA - tapping her foot impatiently.

CERA

Well hurry it up! We wanna play!

ON LITTLEFOOT AND SPIKE - Littlefoot starts to speak when Spike playfully bounds off.

LITTLEFOOT

(intending a build)

I saw--

Littlefoot turns to call after Spike.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Hey!

ON SPIKE - gleefully running off.

ON KIDS - watching as Spike runs off.

DUCKY

(giggling)

Spike is taking your turn for you, Littlefoot.

FOLLOW SPIKE as he runs past some small shrubs and OUT OF SHOT. A beat later, he scampers back in and sticks his head into the shrubs to hide. He doesn't realize, of course, that the rest of him is still sticking out.

ON LITTLEFOOT, DUCKY, PETRIE AND CERA - quietly giggling at the funny Spike.

KIDS

(quiet giggles)

DUCKY

(sotto, but still
with the giggles)

My brother is not a very good hider, oh no...

Cera turns to Littlefoot.

CERA

Now just what were you going to say, Littlefoot?

LITTLEFOOT

It's the Thundering Falls...

The kids react to:

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

It's not giving us any water! You gotta come see!

ON NOD, MUTT and HYP - who stroll INTO SHOT.

HYP (CONT)

Why don't you HATCHLINGS go run and see.

NOD

Yeah! Run and see! Run and see!

Mutt doesn't react fast enough for Nod, so Nod whacks him in the butt with his tail.

MUTT

Aaa... Yeah!

ON KIDS (NO SPIKE) - Cera steps forward angrily.

CERA

Try and make us!

Ducky struggles to push Cera back.

DUCKY

No, Cera, no!

Cera begrudgingly backs off a little.

CERA

Oh, don't worry. I won't hurt 'em.

She turns and glares at the bullies.

CERA (CONT)

Much!

Cera sticks her tongue out at them.

CERA (CONT)

Nyah!

ON BULLIES - Nod and Mutt react by sticking their tongues back at Cera.

NOD/MUTT

Nyah!

Hyp gives them both a dirty look.

HYF

(disgusted)

Put those away.

Nod and Mutt suck their tongues back in.

NOD/MUTT (CONT)

Ulp!

ON KIDS (NO SPIKE) - Frightened but committed, Littlefoot stands up for their rights.

LITTLEFOOT

How come all you ever wanna do is fight, Hyp?

ON PETRIE - exuberantly agreeing then shadow boxing.

PETRIE

Yeah! Fight! (Fist-throwing grunts of exertion)

Petrie accidentally hits himself in the nose.

PETRIE (CONT)

Ow!

He rubs his nose.

PETRIE (CONT)

Fighting hurt.

ON BULLIES - Hyp is thrown by the kids until Mutt turns to him:

MUTT

Yeah, it does give ya ow-ees, Hyp. Why do we do it?

HYP

Why?!

Mutt nods. Hyp turns to Nod.

HYP (CONT)

Why?!

Nod nods. He wants to know too.

Hyp lays it out for everybody so there should be no misunderstanding his point.

HYP (CONT)

Because we're bigger! And bigger is smarter! Bigger is meaner!

Hyp lords it over Littlefoot.

HYP (CONT)

And, BIGGER is BETTER!

LITTLEFOOT

But Hyp, when you're all grown up, you won't be very big at all.

ON CERA - as she mockingly approaches.

CERA

Yes! YOUR kind never gets very big. When WE grow up, we'll be much bigger!

ON DUCKY - nodding smugly.

DUCKY

Uh-huh, uh-huh, much, much, MUCH, much bigger!

ON HYP - He's taken aback a moment then recovers.

HYP

Oh yeah?! Well I'm gonna see to it that you never grow up!

ON MUTT AND NOD - grinning and nodding stupidly.

MUTT/NOD

Aaaa, yeah!/Never grow up! Never! WIDER - Mutt and Nod turn to Hyp.

TTUM

Aaa... How are ya gonna do that, Hyp?

NOD

Yeah, yeah! How?!

CLOSER BULLIES - As Hyp launches into his speech, we can see our heroes tip-toeing past them in the b.g.

HYP

Sheesh, you're dumb! Lemme lay it out for you. First we chase 'em! Second, we catch 'em! Third, we hurt 'em! See?!

WIDER - Mutt and Nod look around -- the kids are gone.

MUTT

Aaaa, no, Hyp. I don't see.

Mutt looks around again and shrugs.

MUTT (CONT)

Anybody.

Nod shrugs too.

NOD

Me neither.

Hyp quickly looks all around then blows it off.

HYP

What?! Eh!

He leads Nod and Mutt past the "hiding" Spike in the b.g. and OUT OF SHOT.

HYP (CONT)

C'mon! We'll pound 'em later!

PUSH IN ON SPIKE - still "hiding." He lifts his head out of the shrubs and looks around curiously. He shrugs to himself then starts eating the shrubs.

SPIKE

(Munching sounds)

DISSOLVE TO:

CLOSE ON TREE - The wind picks up and blows a dried leaf from a sparse-looking tree. FOLLOW LEAF as it blows us the along the Valley, which is beginning to look dry and brown, to a meeting of herd leaders that takes place at the watering hole in view of the now dry waterfall. The watering hole has lowered considerably. A bigger group of dinosaurs are now gathered than we saw a scene earlier: Grandpa is there representing the Long Necks, Cera's father is there representing the Three-horns, Petrie's mother is also there along with an adult Duckbill, an adult Iguanodon, the female adult Stegosaurus that we met earlier, and a male adult Ankylosaurus.

GRANDPA

As you all can see, our Valley is quickly drying up.

CLOSER STEGOSAURUS AND IGUANODON - alarmed.

STEGOSAURUS

Yes! We see it and feel it as well! There is less and less water to drink!

IGUANODON And green food to eat!

ON GRANDPA - gravely nodding his head.

GRANDPA

I know. That is why our herds must work together-

ON WATERING HOLE - obviously drying up.

GRANDPA (CONT-OS)
--to save the little water we have left. From now on--

CLOSER to see fish darting around in the shallow water.

GRANDPA (CONT)
--we must drink only what we need to survive and no more.

PULL BACK TO INCLUDE THE DRY WATERFALL behind them.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Hopefully soon, the Thundering Falls will bring us water again.

CLOSER GRANDPA - worried.

GRANDPA (CONT)

If not, we may have to leave the Great Valley.

ON DINOSAURS - reacting.

DINOSAURS

Leave the Great Valley?!/Never!/It's our home!

CLOSER GRANDPA

GRANDPA (CONT)

Then until the water returns, we must not use the water we have left unwisely.

ON CERA'S FATHER - angrily tossing his head.

CERA'S FATHER

(Snort!) Three-horns never use water unwisely!

ON OTHER DINOSAURS - reacting to:

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

But YOUR herds do!

ANKYLOSAURUS

Our herds?!

He approaches the Three-horn.

ANKYLOSAURUS (CONT)

What makes you think OUR herds would do such a thing?

ON CERA'S FATHER - He scowls disdainfully.

CERA'S FATHER

You drink greedily with no concern for others!

ON DINOSAURS - reacting with animosity.

DINOSAURS

Can you believe he's saying that?!/What nerve!

CLOSER ANKYLOSAURUS

ANKYLOSAURUS

Well I've seen Three-horns waste!

ON CERA'S FATHER - taken aback.

CERA'S FATHER

What?!

BACK ON ANKYLOSAURUS - moving in on Cera's father.

ANKYLOSAURUS

YOU take long baths even if you're the least bit dirty!

WIDER - as the Ankylosaurus spins around to accuse the Iguanodon.

ANKYLOSAURUS (CONT)

And! I've seen YOUR kind waste too! Splashing water needlessly! For shame!

THE IQUANODON's eyes widen with surprise.

IGUANODON

Impossible! I never did such a thing!

WIDE - as all the dinosaurs jump into the arguing fray.

DINOSAURS

I never waste!/It was them! They did it!/No! THEY did it!

OVER the sound of the grown-ups arguing, we hear the OS sound of GIGGLING.

KIDS (OS)

(Giggling)

CUT TO:

EXT. WATERING HOLE - DOWNSTREAM

We see a thick vale of reeds and foliage that surround a little swimming area.

KIDS (OS)

(Giggling)

PUSH THROUGH the reeds to find the kids playfully running and splashing in a pool of water.

KIDS (CONT)

(Giggling)

ON CERA - stopping in mid-chase and brightening with an

idea.

CERA

Hey! Let's play bullies. I'll be Hyp!

Cera lowers her voice to sound somewhat like Hyp and then takes off after Littlefoot.

CERA (CONT)

(mimicking Hyp)

I'm gonna get you!

ON LITTLEFOOT - running. Suddenly, he stops and whips around to face her.

LITTLEFOOT

(mimicking Hyp)

Not if I get you first!

CLOSER ON CERA - surprised and pleased.

CERA

(Gasp!)

WIDER - She screams playfully then races back the other way with Littlefoot chasing after her.

CERA (CONT)

(Playful screams)

Cera and Littlefoot run past Petrie who sunbathes on top of a nice flat rock in the middle of the pond while Spike, knee-deep in water, munches pond grass close by.

SPIKE

(Munching)

CLOSER PETRIE - Energized by Cera and Littlefoot, he sits up.

PETRIE

Me wanna play bullies too!

He puffs himself up, bully-like then...

WIDER - ...turns to Spike, who continues to eat.

PETRIE (CONT)

(mimicking Hyp)

Hey, hatchling! You no eat MY

green food!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE SPIKE - who takes a long drink then looks

up and grins mischievously at Petrie. Suddenly, SPLURT! squirts Petrie with a finely directed mouthful of water.

SPIKE

(Glug, glug, glug... SPLURT!

PETRIE

(Getting hit in the face with a spray of water noises)

ON SPIKE - giggling.

SPIKE

(Giggling)

PETRIE - turns up his nose as he marches off the flat rock.

PETRIE (CONT)

Me go play bullies Hurumph! someplace else!

Not looking where he's going, he marches off the flat rock right into the water. SPLASH!

PETRIE (CONT)

Ya!

ON WATER - next to flat rock as Ducky surfaces holding a befuddled Petrie. Petrie climbs back onto the rock and collapses.

DUCKY

Petrie, you are not a swimmer, I am! (giggle)

PETRIE

(defeated)

Me no bully either.

Suddenly, they react to:

HYP (OS)

But I am!

WIDE - All the kids stop what they are doing and then come together to look upward at the OS embankment.

LITTLEFOOT/CERA/DUCKY/PETRIE

Awww!/Not again!/Oh, no, no,

no, no, nooo.../It them!

ON NOD, HYP AND MUTT - glowering down on the kids from an overhanging embankment.

HYP

Thought you hatchlings could play in our swimming hole, eh?

ON KIDS, FAVORING CERA - scowling angrily.

CERA

They're beginning to get on my nerves...

BACK ON BULLIES

NOD

Can we teach 'em a lesson, Hyp! Can we, huh?

HYP

Be my guest--

Suddenly, Hyp hip-bumps Nod off the embankment.

HYP (CONT)

Nod!

NOD (PARTIAL OS)

Yaaaaaa!

DOWNSHOT ON KIDS - looking upward, frozen in fear as Nod's shadow falls over them.

KIDS

(Gasps!)

ANOTHER ANGLE - Littlefoot turns to his friends.

LITTLEFOOT

Run!

Everyone darts out of the way but Littlefoot, who just begins to run when Nod comes crashing down on top of him.

LITTLEFOOT/NOD

Oof!/Ow!

KERSPLASH! A spray of water shoots up and OS.

ON CERA'S FATHER - his head just poking through the reeds when he gets drenched.

ON WATER - A groggy Nod surfaces and shakes his head clear. He takes OS then high-tails it OS.

NOD

(groggy)

Oh... (Gasp!)

ON HYP AND MUTT - They too take at what they see OS and high-tail it out of shot.

MUTT/HYP See ya!/Wouldn't wanna be ya!

PAN TO WHERE HYP AND CO. WERE LOOKING - ON ADULT DINOSAURS - their heads poking through the thick reeds. Everyone of them is dry with the exception of Cera's father who shakes the water from his head. The other adults, with the exception of Grandpa, titter with laughter at the soggy Three-horn.

ADULT DINOSAURS

(Tittering)

CERA'S FATHER
This is not funny! Someone splashed me--!

He turns his head toward the water where a groggy Littlefoot pulls himself up from the water and heads toward shore.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)
--and wasted precious water!

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - realizing he's being talked about.

LITTLEFOOT

Huh?

WIDER - as the kids rush to him.

DUCKY

Littlefoot? Are you all right?

Littlefoot nods.

LITTLEFOOT

Uh-huh...

Littlefoot looks toward the adults.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)
But I think I'm in trouble...

CERA'S FATHER angrily turns to Grandpa.

CERA'S FATHER
Your Littlefoot is guilty of wasting water!

ON GRANDPA - He backs off a moment, surprised.

WIDER - as he looks towards Littlefoot questioningly.

GRANDPA

What happened, Littlefoot?

LITTLEFOOT looks helplessly up at his Grandpa.

LITTLEFOOT

It was an accident, Grandpa, honest.

GRANDPA smiles reassuringly.

GRANDPA

I'm sure it was, Littlefoot.

WIDE - Grandpa turns toward Cera's father and the other adults.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Our children don't understand the water problem. The Great Valley has always given them everything they need.

ON KIDS - listening, confused.

CERA

What are those grown-ups talking about? What water problem? Isn't the Thundering Falls coming back?

Littlefoot shrugs.

LITTLEFOOT

I don't know.

Cera stamps her foot.

CERA

Well it should! Why wouldn't it?!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE DUCKY - who shrugs.

DUCKY

Maybe it is tired and needs to rest

THE KIDS - just look at each other and shrug-they don't know.

BACK ON ADULT DINOSAURS, FAVORING GRANDPA AND CERA'S FATHER

GRANDPA

We need to teach our children how to use the remaining water wisely.

CERA'S FATHER

Speak for yourself, Long Neck!
My Cera would never waste!
Your Littlefoot is a bad
influence!

ON GRANDPA - taking.

GRANDPA

That's not true!

ON KIDS, FAVORING DUCKY AND PETRIE

DUCKY

What is in-flu-ence?

Petrie shrugs.

PETRIE

Me no know.

WIDE - Cera's father beckons her away from the others.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

Come, Cera. You're not to play with the little Long Neck anymore.

ON CERA - taking.

CERA

But, Daddy!

ON CERA'S FATHER - as Grandpa approaches.

GRANDPA

My friend, I think you're acting rashly. Littlefoot is not to blame.

Cera's father snorts disdainfully then exits.

CERA'S FATHER

(Snort!) I said come, Cera!

ON CERA - running to hide behind her friends.

CERA

No!

ON CERA'S FATHER - furious with her disobedience.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)
Cera! I'm your father and I
KNOW what's best for you!

CLOSER CERA - Hurt, she looks toward her friends then, head lowered, follows after her father.

CERA

(Sad sniff)

ON KIDS - Petrie's MOM flies INTO SHOT over them.

PETRIE'S MOM

Petrie! It's time to go home!

CLOSER PETRIE - He looks to his friends then flaps up after her.

PETRIE

Bye, bye. Coming, mamma!

ON SPIKE, DUCKY AND LITTLEFOOT - as DUCKY'S MOM enters.

SPIKE AND DUCKY'S MOM

Come, Ducky. Spike, you too.

CLOSER - Spike and Ducky bid Littlefoot goodbye then depart.

DUCKY

Do not worry, Littlefoot. You are not an in-flu-ence, whatever that is.

Littlefoot looks sadly after his departing friends as Grandpa ENTERS next to him.

LITTLEFOOT

I don't understand, Grandpa. Why does Cera's dad think I'm bad?

Grandpa LOWERS IN next to Littlefoot and nuzzles him.

GRANDPA

He's just confused, Littlefoot.

WIDER - Grandpa looks sadly after the departing dinosaurs.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Sometimes fear makes grown-ups do strange things.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. ANOTHER PART OF THE VALLEY - CERA'S HERD'S HOME

Cera is in the midst of an argument with her dad.

CERA

I don't understand, Daddy!

CERA'S FATHER

You need friends who know how to behave! Especially in times like this.

CLOSER CERA - She makes an obstinate face.

CERA

Littlefoot is my friend! He'll ALWAYS be my friend!

ON CERA'S FATHER - searching for another approach but failing.

CERA'S FATHER (gentler)

Cera, I'm your father. I want what's best for you.

DOWNSHOT ON CERA - angry and hurt.

CERA

No you don't! You just don't want me to have any fun!

ANOTHER ANGLE - Cera races off and hides behind some thick reeds.

Her father ENTERS SHOT and talks to her as if he's talking to a shut bedroom door.

CERA'S FATHER

(frustrated,
inarticulate)

Cera, please. I'm just trying to... (Sigh) As a parent,

I...

Frustrated and unable to express himself, Cera's father does one of Cera's characteristic, "Oooh's!" then exits OUT OF SHOT.

CERA'S FATHER (frustrated)

Oooooh!

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. GREAT VALLEY - DAWN

As the Bright Circle lifts spectacularly over the mountains in the background, Grandpa and Grandma approach a sleeping Littlefoot.

PUSH IN CLOSER ON LITTLEFOOT - as his grandparents nudge him awake.

GRANDMA

Time to wake up my little one.

Littlefoot opens a sleepy eye and looks toward his Grandparents.

LITTLEFOOT

(sleepy)

But Grandma, it's early and I'm still sleepy.

GRANDPA

You must get up, Littlefoot, if you want to drink the morning dew with us.

Littlefoot lifts his weary head.

LITTLEFOOT

The morning dew?

GRANDPA

Yes. It collects on the leaves in the early morning.

Grandpa nudges Littlefoot to his feet.

GRANDPA (CONT)

If we hurry, we can drink the dew before the Bright Circle gets too high in the sky and dries it all up.

ANOTHER ANGLE - as Littlefoot stumbles sleepily after his Grandparents.

LITTLEFOOT

Oh, (yawn) all right...

ON TOP OF TREE - as Grandpa reaches IN and carefully nabs a treestar full of dew. (Note: the treestar is brown around the edges.) FOLLOW GRANDPA as he lowers the dew-filled treestar down next to Littlefoot.

GRANDPA

Here, Littlefoot, drink this. I think you'll find it delicious.

SLIGHT DOWNSHOT ON LITTLEFOOT - His reflection in the dew smiles up at him.

UPSHOT ON LITTLEFOOT - taking, then smiling back. He licks his lips then dives his muzzle into the treestar, which crumbles.

LITTLEFOOT

(Slurp!)

The spilled dew is quickly sucked up by the dry earth. Littlefoot looks up at his grandparents apologetically.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Oops... It broke.

ON GRANDMA - leaning down to comfort Littlefoot.

GRANDMA

It's not your fault, Littlefoot. The treestars are very dry now and crumble easily.

Littlefoot sighs with frustration.

LITTLEFOOT

(Sigh) But when will everything be green and wet again, Grandma?

WIDE - Grandma leads them off.

GRANDMA

I don't know. I hope soon.

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - following after.

LITTLEFOOT

Well, what's going to happen if it's not soon?

ANGLE TO INCLUDE GRANDPA

GRANDPA

Water will get harder and harder to find. Soon, everything will be as dry as that treestar.

GRANDMA turns and looks at Grandpa worriedly.

GRANDMA

And it will be easier for fires to start.

ON LITTLEFOOT - surprised.

LITTLEFOOT

Fire?

Grandma leans IN to Littlefoot.

GRANDMA

Yes, Littlefoot. Which is why you must remember the escape paths we've shown you.

Littlefoot grins.

LITTLEFOOT

Don't worry, Grandma! I'll remember!

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. WATERING HOLE - LATER

THE BRIGHT CIRCLE is now high in the sky. HOLD A BEAT, then:

CERA'S FATHER (OS)
It's not your time to drink--!

QUICK PAN DOWN TO CERA'S FATHER - glaring at Littlefoot and his Grandparents as they approach the shrinking watering hole.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT

Long Necks!

WIDE ON LONG NECKS - as three more dinosaurs approach to water in the background.

GRANDPA

What do you mean, not our time?

ON CERA'S FATHER - approaching.

CERA'S FATHER

We agreed that all herds--

WIDE ON LONGNECKS - Two of the dinosaurs behind them nod in

agreement -- the third is reticent.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT-OS) --must take turns drinking at the watering hole.

CLOSER GRANDPA AND GRANDMA - taken aback.

GRANDPA

Yes, we all agreed, but I didn't think that it included the children. It really isn't fair to them.

WIDER - Cera's father regards them angrily.

CERA'S FATHER
There is no fair when it comes to survival!

ON LITTLEFOOT - He's still at the water's edge and isn't sure whether he should drink or not when he reacts to his reflection looking up at him with a very sad face...

CERA (OS) (sotto)

Littlefoot!

Littlefoot's concentration on his reflection is broken.

LITTLEFOOT

Huh?

Littlefoot looks around.

CERA (OS-CONT) (sotto)

Over here!

WHIP PAN TO CERA - peeking out of the bushes.

CERA (CONT)

Hurry!

ON LITTLEFOOT - He looks back over his shoulder at the arguing adults...

GRANDPA/CERA'S FATHER/GRANDMA
You judge us wrongly, Threehorn!/I'm only doing what
needs to be done!/But this is
going too far!

...then scrambles into the bushes after Cera.

REVERSE ON BUSHES - Cera, who's had her fill of the grown-ups's nonsense, and Littlefoot are in hiding.

CERA

What are we going to do about the grown-ups, Littlefoot?! They're acting like babies!

LITTLEFOOT

I know...

CERA

And it's all the Thundering Falls fault too! If we had more water, this wouldn't be happening!

Littlefoot brightens.

LITTLEFOOT

That's it, Cera!

Cera's confused.

CERA

What's it?

LITTLEFOOT

Water! If we find some, the grown-ups will stop being mad!

Cera considers...

CERA

Maybe... except for my Dad. He's always mad.

Littlefoot smiles sheepishly.

LITTLEFOOT

Yeah, he is kinda grumpy.

Cera nods, depressed. Seeing this, Littlefoot tries to cheer her with:

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

But I'm sure it's just because he's so worried about the water!

CLOSER CERA - She paws the ground wistfully and ponders.

CERA

Yeah...

She shrugs her feelings off then heads off.

CERA (CONT)

Anyway... Let's go get Petrie, Ducky and Spike and find some water!

Littlefoot hangs back a beat--his face reflecting his concern for Cera--then follows after.

TRUCK OUT to see Littlefoot and Cera hurrying off as the adults still argue...

GRANDPA/CERA'S FATHER/GRANDMA How about a compromise?/No! We must be firm!/Can't we agree on anything?

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GREAT VALLEY - MIDNIGHT

The kids journey under the light of a QUARTER MOON.

PETRIE

How we find water, Littlefoot?

LITTLEFOOT

We smell for it, silly.

ON DUCKY - giggling as she wiggles and wrinkles her nose.

DUCKY

(giggling)

Oh yes! Smell for it! With our noses! (giggle) I know how to do that!

She lifts her nose into the air and sniffs.

DUCKY (CONT)

(Sniff, sniff, sniff)

WIDEN TO INCLUDE LITTLEFOOT - He sticks his nose high in the air and sniffs too.

LITTLEFOOT

(Sniff, sniff, sniff, sniff!)

THE OTHER KIDS - watch him momentarily, then join in sniffing.

CERA/PETRIE/DUCKY/SPIKE

(Sniffing)

ON PETRIE - sniffing as he flaps up over the kids. He inadvertently flies too close to Spike...

PETRIE

(Sniffing)

... who sniffs so hard that Petrie is sucked right into his face.

SPIKE

(SNIFFFFF!)

CLOSER PETRIE - sprawled across Spike's face.

PETRIE

(muffled)

No smell so hard, okay, Spike?

Spike just grins.

ON THE KIDS - as they sniff their way down the hilly knoll and out of view.

KIDS

(Sniffing)

DUCKY

(Giggling)

CERA

This is serious, Ducky!

DUCKY (PARTIAL-OS)

(serious)

Oh yes, Cera, I know! I know! (Beat) (Giggle!)

DISSOLVE TO:

ON DEW-FILLED LEAVES as the BRIGHT CIRCLE rises in the b.g.

PUSH IN ON THE LEAVES as the dew dissolves under the drying sun.

WIDE ON WATERING HOLE - A dinosaur sneaks in for a quick drink.

CLOSER - He looks around to make sure he is alone. Satisfied, he leans down for a drink when he reacts to:

CERA'S FATHER

(Snarl!)

ON CERA'S FATHER - charging TOWARD CAMERA.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT) It's not your turn!

THE DINOSAUR takes then races away.

WIDE - Cera's father chases the dinosaur off.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

Go on!

CLOSER CERA'S FATHER - stopping. He looks off toward the direction of the fleeing dinosaur and snorts his disapproval.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

Hurumph!

DISSOLVE TO:

FAR END OF THE VALLEY - NEAR THE MYSTERIOUS BEYOND - DAY

The kids are collapsed in a tired heap. Behind them grows a wall of tall, thick reeds.

DUCKY

My sniffer is very, very sniffed out.

CERA

Well I'm so thirsty I could drink a lake.

WIDE ON LITTLEFOOT - who lifts his tired head in agreement.

LITTLEFOOT

Me too. (beat) If we could find one.

ON PETRIE - sniffing then looking confused.

PETRIE

(Sniffing) Funny, me smell water but me no see water.

PULL BACK - Just then, a FISH, or rather a Sphenocephalus, leaps up from behind the reeds that grow directly behind our gang. The fish arcs back down out of sight, then-KERSPLASH! The kids take.

CLOSER - Littlefoot turns to his pals.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Did you hear a... splash?

Cera, Petrie, Ducky and Spike give a surprised nod.

CERA/PETRIE/DUCKY

Uh-huh.

REVERSE ANGLE REEDS - The kids make a mad dash through the reeds and splash into the water.

LITTLEFOOT/DUCKY/CERA/PETRIE Water!/Yipee!/Wet stuff!/Yay!

PULL BACK AND UP - to see that the rockslides have damned up a small artery of water until it has grown into a small but definitely workable pond.

CERA/LITTLEFOOT/DUCKY/PETRIE Whee!/Ya-hoo!/Water!/Whoopee!

CLOSER - As the kids splash and play around her, Cera drinks and drinks and drinks.

CERA

(Slurping, ummmm, slurp!)

Finally, she lifts her head and grins with satisfaction.

CERA

Ummm... That was SO good!

ON DUCKY - gulping some down too.

DIICKY

(Glug, glug, glug) Oh yes, this is the yummiest water ever! It is!

ON PETRIE - hovering just inches over the water.

PETRIE

And we drink all we want and no one yell at us!

He dunks his head in the water and drinks deeply.

PETRIE (CONT)

(Glug, glug, glug, glug!)

Full, he lifts his head and lets out a satisfied:

PETRIE (CONT)

Ah! .

Petrie hiccups then sheepishly covers his mouth.

PETRIE (CONT)

(Hiccup!)

ON LITTLEFOOT - watching his friends with enjoyment.

LITTLEFOOT

(Giggle)

He leans down to take a drink when he spots his reflection looking up at him. Littlefoot smiles. His reflection smiles back.

ON BULLIES - spying on the kids from the opposite side of the reeds.

KIDS

(Giggles)

HYP

There they are. And would ya look at what they found for us.

Hyp turns to his cohorts who grin and nod stupidly.

NOD/MUTT

(Silly agreeing noises)

REVERSE ANGLE ON REEDS - as the bullies pop their heads through.

HYP

Hi ya, hatchlings. Say bye, bye water.

WIDE ON KIDS - turning to look at them with surprise.

DUCKY

Why? Is it going somewhere?

ON BULLIES - glaring at them.

HYP

No, but you are!

NOD

This is OUR water now!

TTUM

So give it back!

ON PETRIE - scratching his head, then patting his water-filled tummy which GURGLES and SLOSHES.

PETRIE

Give back? But it already in my tummy!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE DUCKY AND SPIKE

DUCKY

But do you not want to share?

Spike nods his head in agreement.

ON BULLIES - Mutt and Nod nod their agreement with Ducky until Hyp glares at them. Mutt and Nod freeze. Hyp directs his response to his pals, reminding them.

:HYP

We don't share with anybody, DO WE?!

CLOSER MUTT AND NOD - quickly shaking their heads "no."

MUTT/NOD

(said rapidly)

No, nuh-uh./Nobody.

ON HYP - leaning TOWARD CAMERA.

HYP (CONT)

So I'm warning you, small fries, if you tell anybody else about this water, you'll be very, very-

Hyp practically pushes his threatening face INTO CAMERA.

HYP (CONT)

-sorry!

ON LITTLEFOOT - bravely stepping forward.

LITTLEFOOT

We're telling! And you better not try and stop us!

CUT TO:

REVERSE ANGLE ON REEDS - Suddenly, the kids burst back through the reeds, running for their lives.

KIDS

Aaaaaa!!!

LITTLEFOOT

Hurry!

A beat later, they are followed by the bullies.

HYP

Get 'em! We can't let 'em tell!

THE KIDS - scramble up a slope to escape when Cera suddenly stops.

KIDS

(Running exertions)

CERA

What am I running for?!

She starts walking back when...

CERA (CONT)

I'm not of afraid of those-!

... she yanked back OUT OF SHOT.

CERA (CONT)

Hey! What's the big idea?!

ON SPIKE - dragging Cera by the tail as they all continue up the slope.

ON PETRIE - landing on Cera's nose.

PETRIE

No time to fight bullies, Cera! We go tell grown-ups about water!

As Cera and Petrie are dragged UP OUT OF SHOT... CUT TO:

BOTTOM OF SLOPE - as the bullies race INTO SHOT and look around angrily.

NOD

Where'd they go, Hyp? Huh? Where'd they go?

Hyp gets into a cringing Nod's face.

HYP

If I knew, I wouldn't be looking for 'em!

(NOTE: This next section should move very fast.) Nod takes then turns on Mutt and yells at him.

, NOD

Yeah!

Mutt takes.

CLOSER MUTT - Wanting to get in on the act, he turns on a flower and yells at it.

MUTT

Yeah! Dummy!

Suddenly, a BIG FAT, WINGED BUG buzzes up from the flower and glares at Mutt.

BIG BUG

(Angry buzzing as if to say "Who's a dummy?")

WIDEN TO INCLUDE BULLIES - looking worriedly toward the bug.

NOD/HYP/MUTT

Huh-oh...

WHOOSH! The bullies take off running with the bug not far behind.

BULLIES

Yaaaa!

BUG

BUZZZZZZ!!!

CUT TO:

TOP OF HIGH SLOPE - OVER LOOKING THE MYSTERIOUS BEYOND

We hear the kids' breathless voices.

KIDS (OS)

(Panting)

LITTLEFOOT (OS)

(breathless)

I think we lost 'em!

The running kids come INTO VIEW on top of the slope then gasp at what they see OS.

KIDS

(Gasp!)

PUSH IN on their astonished faces.

DUCKY

It is the Mysterious Beyond...

PETRIE

And it have water. Whole bunches!

THEIR POV - For the first time we see clearly why the waterfall no longer flows with water. Due to the numerous rock slides caused by the giant meteorite, the source of water that led to the waterfall has been dammed up. (This

water ran through a steep ravine kind of like an early version of the Grand Canyon.) Somewhere near (Roy, you'll have to help me with this) is the meteor crater which is rapidly filling with the water that should be going to the Great Valley. This has all taken place in the Mysterious Beyond side of the waterfall. AND, in the distance, coming toward them, are dark storm clouds and lightning. Lightning erupts periodically through-out the following scene.

OTS KIDS - as they look out into the Mysterious Beyond below.

A CRACK of lightning juts across the sky.

REVERSE ANGLE KIDS

LITTLEFOOT

The flying rocks musta caused slides in the Mysterious Beyond too.

CERA

Yeah, and those dumb slides blocked up OUR water!

WIDE - Littlefoot leads the kids off.

LITTLEFOOT

C'mon! The grown-ups will know what to do!

CAMERA PANS UP to a view of the water and HOLDS as the storm clouds move in and LIGHTNING CRACKS across the sky.

DISSOLVE TO:

ANOTHER PART OF THE VALLEY

The wind blows hard against the kids' backs as they struggle homeward under a darkened sky. THUNDER RUMBLES.

ON PETRIE - flying. He struggles to stay with the kids but the wind keeps blowing him forward.

PETRIE

(Straining Whaaa!!!

exertions)

He fights his way back then grabs hold of Littlefoot's head.

PETRIE (CONT)
(Straining exertions) Bad
weather for flying.

ANOTHER ANGLE - as the kids head for an opening between two big boulders. The WIND blows whistles.

ANOTHER ANGLE - Then, just as they're about to pass through the rock opening, LIGHTNING CRACKS on the other side of it, striking a tree.

THE TREE bursts into flames.

ON KIDS - gasping in fear.

KIDS

(Frightened gasps)

ON TREE - as it shudders then falls, crashing through the rock passage way, creating a fiery roadblock. The kids race away in fear.

LITTLEFOOT

Look-out!

CERA/PETRIE/DUCKY

(Screams!)

ON BURNING TREE - The wind kicks up, spreading the fire from tree to bush, bush to tree...

BACK ON KIDS - terrified. Littlefoot urges the kids off.

LITTLEFOOT

Back this way! I know another path!

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. DRYING WATERING HOLE

Another small group of dinosaurs take their turns drinking at the diminishing watering hole. Grandpa and Grandma wait at the end of the line for their turn. Meanwhile, the skies overhead RUMBLE and the wind begins to HOWL.

ANOTHER ANGLE - Cera's father ENTERS and calls to the dinosaur currently drinking.

CERA'S FATHER

That's enough! You've had your share for today!

The drinking dinosaur lifts his head in surprise, then, frightened, backs away.

ON GRANDPA AND GRANDMA - They turn to each other and shake their heads.

GRANDPA

The Three-horn is getting far too bossy.

GRANDMA

I agree.

They react to:

LITTLEFOOT (OS)

Grandpa! Grandma!

ON CERA'S FATHER - reacting to:

CERA (OS)

Daddy!

WIDE ON KIDS - racing in. We see smoke rising in the b.g.

LITTLEFOOT

Fire! There's fire in the Valley!

GRANDPA leans down to Littlefoot.

GRANDPA

Are you sure, Littlefoot?!

LITTLEFOOT

Yes, Grandpa! It's near Two Boulder Pass!

OTS GRANDPA, GRANDMA, CERA'S FATHER - reacting fearfully as they regard the signs of smoke in the b.g.

GRANDPA

Yes, we can see the fire signs from here!

ON GROUP OF THIRSTY DINOSAURS - alarmed, on the verge of running as a gust of smoke-filled wind swirls passed them.

THIRSTY DINOSAURS

Two Boulder Pass?!/That's close to here!/We must run!

WIDER - as Grandpa hurries to control them.

GRANDPA

Calm yourselves! We will lead you to safety!

ON CERA'S FATHER - angrily approaching Grandpa.

CERA'S FATHER

No, I will! They'll be better off following me!

CLOSE ON CERA AND LITTLEFOOT - exchanging worried glances. BACK ON CERA'S FATHER - as he heads off.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

This way!

WIDE - No one follows.

CERA'S FATHER - looks back to see no one following, then snorts his disdain.

CERA'S FATHER

(Angry snort!)

ON GRANDPA - hurrying after Cera's father.

GRANDPA

But you're heading downwind where the fire will surely spread! We must go upwind of the fire!

ON CERA'S FATHER - angrily swirling around to face Grandpa.

CERA'S FATHER

Do as you will, Long Neck! But Cera and I go THIS way!

ANGLE TO INCLUDE CERA

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

Come, Cera!

Unsure, Cera backs away.

CERA

But Daddy!

UPSHOT ON CERA'S FATHER - His eyes widen with fear and anger.

CERA'S FATHER

The others can do what they want! But you are my daughter and you will do as I say!

ON CERA - She lowers her head, then turns to her frightened friends.

CERA (CONT)

I'm... I'm going with my father.

The kids watch fearfully as Cera exits.

ON DUCKY - shaking her head worriedly.

DUCKY

I do not feel good about this, oh no, I do not...

WIDER - Littlefoot can't take much more of this. He runs to his Grandparents.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandma?! Grandpa?! Can't you stop them?!

GRANDPA turns to Grandma.

GRANDPA

I have to go after them.

Grandma's face reflects her worry.

GRANDMA

Yes.

ANOTHER ANGLE - Grandma watches Grandpa race off after the three-horns then leans down to a worried Littlefoot.

GRANDMA

Littlefoot, you come with me. We'll lead the others to safety.

LITTLEFOOT

But what about everybody else in the Valley, Grandma?! What will happen to them?!

GRANDMA

They'll use the escape routes closest to them. Now come!

Littlefoot nods and follows after her.

WIDE - Grandma calls to the other dinosaurs and leads them off.

GRANDMA

Everyone follow me! Children first!

The kids (no Cera) and group of thirsty dinosaurs hurry to follow after.

PULL WAY BACK - In an OVERVIEW SHOT, we see the fire spreading precisely in the direction that Cera, her father and now Grandpa are headed. Meanwhile, Grandma and

Littlefoot lead the others in the opposite direction.

WIDE - FOLLOW GRANDMA - as she leads her group up a fire escape path.

CLOSER GRANDMA - taken aback as a wall of thick smoke surrounds her causing her to cough and gag.

GRANDMA

(Coughing)

ON LITTLEFOOT - calling up to her.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandma?! What's wrong?!

UPSHOT ON GRANDMA - coughing and blinking her stinging eyes.

GRANDMA

(coughing)

I can't see, Littlefoot! The smoke is too thick! You'll have to lead!

BACK ON LITTLEFOOT - frightened.

LITTLEFOOT

But, Grandma--!

Grandma leans IN next to him.

GRANDMA

(coughing)

Do you remember the path?

Littlefoot nods.

LITTLEFOOT

(frightened)

Uh-huh.

GRANDMA

(urgent)

Good. Then keep your head low to the ground where the smoke is not so thick. (Coughs)

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - He's terrified.

LITTLEFOOT

But I...

ANOTHER ANGLE - as he turns to face the frightened dinosaurs behind him.

ON DINOSAURS - Their fear seems larger than Littlefoot's as they look to him for help.

BACK ON LITTLEFOOT - He makes his decision.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Follow me, everyone!

ON KIDS AND DINOSAURS - The coughing grown-ups struggle to see in the blinding smoke while the kids look on worriedly.

DINOSAURS

(panicking)

(Coughing) Where is he?!/I can't see!

ON DUCKY- rushing to Littlefoot.

DUCKY

(urgently)

Littlefoot, the grown-ups cannot see good! They cannot!

Littlefoot thinks for a brief moment, then:

LITTLEFOOT

But they can hear!

PULL BACK - as he calls to the others.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Follow my voice! And stay close to the one in front of you!

With that, Littlefoot heads up the path, the kids following him--the adults following his voice.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Keep your heads down! It's
not far now!

CUT TO:

EXT. ANOTHER PART OF THE VALLEY

ON CERA AND HER FATHER - heading downhill.

CERA

Are you sure this is right, Daddy?

CERA'S FATHER Of course I'm sure!

There's another sudden GUST OF WIND, then - WHOOSH - the fire explodes in front of them.

CERA/CERA'S FATHER

(GASP!)

They spin around to run the other way when - WHOOSH - the fire erupts in their path again.

CERA

(Scream!) Daddy?!

Cera's father frantically looks around then begins leading her in another direction-

CERA'S FATHER

This way, Cera!

WHOOSH-they're blocked by another wall of fire.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

No!!!

Cera's father hurriedly leads them in yet another direction when -- WHOOSH -- more fire!

CERA

We're trapped!

Cera looks in fear at her father, then moves closer to him for protection as he frantically searches for a way out.

THE FIRE spreads all around them, when:

GRANDPA (OS)

Three-horns!

ON GRANDPA - emerging from a wall of smoke.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Over here!

ON CERA AND HER FATHER - as they hurry to follow Grandpa back through the wall of smoke.

CERA'S FATHER

Hurry, Cera!

ANOTHER ANGLE - A beat later, the place where Cera and her father had been standing, bursts into flames.

ON CERA, GRANDPA AND CERA'S FATHER - blackened with soot as they look down from overhead rocks at the fire below.

CLOSER CERA AND HER FATHER - He turns to her, concerned.

CERA'S FATHER

Are you alright, Cera?

Cera looks at the flames below--her face filled with uncertainty.

CERA

Yes, Daddy.

WIDER - Grandpa turns to the shaken Three-horns then urges them on.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Come.

As they turn to follow Grandpa, Cera stays noticeably close to her father.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GREAT VALLEY - HIGH GROUND

ON CROWD OF DINOSAURS, AND KIDS, FAVORING LITTLEFOOT AND GRANDMA. A worried Grandma and Littlefoot brighten as Grandpa and the Three-horns approach.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandpa!

GRANDMA

(relieved)

Oh, they made it!

Grandma and Littlefoot hurry to greet Grandpa.

GRANDMA (CONT)

I was so worried!

Grandpa nudges Grandma affectionately.

GRANDPA

I'm fine, dear, really.

WIDER - as he looks toward the frightened and huddled dinosaurs.

GRANDPA (CONT)

How is everyone else?

CLOSER DINOSAURS - as CAMERA PANS their frightened faces. (NOTE: One of the dinosaurs must be an adult, male HYPSILOPHODON.)

GRANDMA (OS)
Our group got here safely.

BACK TO GRANDMA - She indicates Littlefoot who stands with a grateful Cera.

GRANDMA (CONT)

Thanks to Littlefoot.

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT AND CERA - Cera smiles at him. Littlefoot smiles back, happy that his friend is safe as Ducky, Spike, and Petrie hurry IN around them.

CLOSER DUCKY - as she hugs Littlefoot's leg.

DUCKY

Oh, yes!

Thanks to

Littlefoot!

BACK ON GRANDPA AND GRANDMA

GRANDMA

We are all very lucky.

As Grandma and Grandpa look out over their burning home, PULL WAY BACK TO SEE a shot of the entire Valley. The high grounds are spotted with groups of dinosaurs who have followed different escape routes to safety.

CERA'S FATHER (OS)

Lucky?!

ON CERA'S FATHER - blackened with soot.

WIDER - He approaches Grandma and Grandpa.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

How can you say we are lucky when our Valley burns?

ON GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - as the others solemnly gather around them to listen to Cera's father.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

We are without water and now we are without a home.

CLOSE ON CERA'S FATHER - For the first time, he looks very vulnerable.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

All is lost.

WIDER - As he hangs his head in defeat, Grandma ENTERS.

GRANDMA

All is not lost, my friend. You still have Cera...

Hearing his daughter's name, Cera's father looks up at Grandma.

GRANDMA (CONT)

And you are still here, able to care for her.

Cera's father looks at Grandma then turns to look at his OS daughter.

ON CERA - She smiles hopefully up at her dad.

ON CERA'S FATHER - His look of despair changes to affection. His heart has finally been touched.

WIDER - as he turns to Grandma and Grandpa. He looks first to Grandma...

CERA'S FATHER

You are right.

...then crosses to Grandpa.

CERA'S FATHER

(to Grandpa)

Thank you, Longneck.

Grandpa smiles and nods gently.

ON GROUP OF DINOSAURS - anxiously approaching.

DINOSAURS

But the three-horn speaks the truth!/We're doomed./We'll never be able to go back to the Great Valley!

ON KIDS - frightened and bewildered. Ducky turns to her pals.

DUCKY

Never go back to the Great Valley? Oh no...

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - brightening.

LITTLEFOOT

The water! We forgot to tell them about the water!

ON DINOSAURS, FAVORING GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - Littlefoot races up to them.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandma! Grandpa! We found

water!

ON DINOSAURS, FAVORING GRANDMA AND GRANDPA - surprised.

GRANDPA

Water?!

GRANDMA

Where?!

ON KIDS - Grandma leans IN next to Littlefoot.

GRANDMA (CONT)

Where, Littlefoot?!

ON LITTLEFOOT - The kids all crowd around him, each hoping to get to say their share of the good news.

LITTLEFOOT

It's stuck!

PETRIE

Behind the Thundering Falls!

CERA

The flying rocks did it.

DUCKY

They did!

Spike nods energetically.

GRANDMA - quickly turns to Grandpa. The other dinosaurs are still gathered behind them.

GRANDMA

(worriedly)

Which means the water is trapped in the Mysterious Beyond.

CLOSER DINOSAURS - agitated.

DINOSAURS

The Mysterious Beyond?!/We can't go there!/It's dangerous!

WIDE - Cera's father approaches.

CERA'S FATHER
Of course it's dangerous! But
no place is safe now! We must
go and free the water!

ON DINOSAURS - siding with Cera's father.

DINOSAURS
Yes! It's our only hope!/Our
Valley needs water!

ON GRANDPA - addressing everyone, but especially Cera's father.

GRANDPA

But such a huge gathering place of water will attract other creatures besides ourselves. In the Mysterious Beyond there will be sharpteeth.

ON CERA'S FATHER - as the other dinosaurs look to him for his reaction. He sighs in anger and frustration.

CERA'S FATHER (Angry, frustrated sigh)

ON KIDS - Ducky shakes her head worriedly.

DUCKY

I do not like sharpteeth. Oh no. Their teeth are too sharp.

The others nod their fearful agreement.

BACK ON ADULTS, FAVORING GRANDMA

GRANDMA

Still, we must do something. We must come up with a plan to free the water.

CLOSER CERA'S FATHER

CERA'S FATHER

I have a plan!

WHIP PAN TO OTHER DINOSAURS - reacting. The ANKYLOSAURUS steps forward mockingly.

ANKYLOSAURUS

I hope it's better than your fire escape plan!

ON CERA'S FATHER - gearing up to be really angry.

CERA'S FATHER

(Snarl!)

ON GRANDMA - alarmed.

GRANDMA

Please! This is no time to arque.

ON CERA'S FATHER - now nose to nose with the angry Ankylosaurus.

CERA'S FATHER At least I HAD a plan!

ANKYLOSAURUS

(Snarl!)

Suddenly, Grandma pushes in between the two of them.

GRANDMA

Stop! You're acting like children!

ON KIDS - reacting. Petrie crosses his arms angrily.

PETRIE

Hurumph! WE no act like that!

ANOTHER ANGLE ON THE KIDS - As the adults continue arguing in the background, the kids just shake their heads in disgust.

DINOSAURS

I have a plan too!/Mine's better!/Listen to mine!/No!

PAN TO CLUMP OF BUSHES - to find Mutt, Hyp and Nod in hiding.

TO SUPE LIKE TO HYP (CONT)

E say we get to that water first! Before the rest of those dummies go slobbering in it.

Nod gulps sheepishly.

NOD

(Gulp) But you heard the grown-ups, Hyp. What about sharpteeth?

Hyp glowers at him.

HYP

What about 'em?!

Nod takes then quickly turns to Mutt.

NOD

Well... You tell 'em, Mutt!

- On the spot, Mutt's not sure what to say.

MUTT

Well, aaa, they're bad...
Aaaa, yeah... and scary too!
You should be afraid of 'em'
Like we are! "C'MON, YOU'RE JUST AS AFRAIO
OF THEM AS WE ARE..."

Hyp regards them with disgust.

HYP

Me?! I'm not afraid of anything!

Nod fights back.

NOD

Bet you are!

HYP

Bet I'm not!

NOD

You were afraid of those big flying rocks!

Hyp takes. Nod's right, he was afraid. Still, he covers...

HYP

I was not! I just ran cuz you guys did.

Mutt and Nod take at:

HYP (CONT)

didn't want you to feel

stupid!

ON HYP - as he heads off in the direction of the trapped water.

HYP (CONT)

you BABIES can stay ALRIGHT I WILL. here! I'm getting me

SOME I'M GETTING ME SOME TASTY WATER, AND YOU

BABIES CAN STAY

ON NOD AND MUTT - Mutt turns to Nod.

tasty water!

HERE! .. "

NOD

Do you think we should go too?
IM NOT A BABY..."

MUTT

I dunno. Do you? " AHHH ... ME NEITHER! ..."

. Nod and Mutt blink stupidly for a beat, then take off after Нур.

NOD

A...a... Hyp! Wait!

TTUM

Ah, yeah! For us!

DISSOLVE TO:

WIDE ON GRANDMA, GRANDPA, CERA'S FATHER AND THE REST OF THE ADULTS - They are gathered in two groups, heatedly discussing the situation.

From one group we hear:

GRANDPA

We must not act rashly.

From the other group we hear:

CERA'S FATHER

We must act now!

CUT TO:

ON BULLIES - traveling up the dry waterfall toward the trapped water in the Mysterious Beyond.

PULL WAY BACK TO INCLUDE LITTLEFOOT AND CO. - watching them

from a distance.

CERA

They are SO dumb! Didn't they hear what the grown-ups said about sharpteeth?

LITTLEFOOT

I guess not.

CERA

Well, if they get eaten it'll just serve them right!

ON LITTLEFOOT, DUCKY, SPIKE AND PETRIE - taken aback.

DUCKY

Cera! That is not nice!

ON CERA - turning up her nose.

CERA

I don't care. They deserve it!

ON LITTLEFOOT - worried as he watches the bullies climbing up the waterfall in the b.g.

LITTLEFOOT

I don't know you guys, maybe we should do something.

WIDEN TO INCLUDE CERA

CERA

Like what?

Littlefoot gets a bit sheepish.

LITTLEFOOT

Like... tell their parents where they went?

CERA

All of our parents are too busy arguing!

WHIP PAN TO ADULTS, FEATURING GRANDMA, GRANDPA AND CERA'S FATHER - arguing.

GRANDPA

Your plan's too dangerous!

CERA'S FATHER Yours is no better!

ADULT DINOSAURS

Then listen to mine!/Yours?! Don't be silly!

BACK TO KIDS - Littlefoot beseeches his friends.

LITTLEFOOT

Then... maybe **we** should go stop them.

THE KIDS react.

CERA/PETRIE/DUCKY

Stop them?!/Us?!/They hate us! They will not listen!

Cera approaches Littlefoot.

CERA

It's just too dangerous, Littlefoot.

LITTLEFOOT

I know but... they're just kids like us.

ON DUCKY AND SPIKE - alarmed.

DUCKY.

Very big kids!

Spike nods.

WIDE ON ALL - Littlefoot wrestles with the right thing to do.

LITTLEFOOT

I know they're bigger...

CLOSER CERA - putting her two cents in.

CERA

But definitely not smarter!

WIDE - Having decided for himself, Littlefoot addresses his friends.

LITTLEFOOT

I just havta try and stop 'em. (beat) You guys do what you want.

He exits.

ON DUCKY, CERA, SPIKE, PETRIE - wide-eyed and unsure. They exchange looks. Finally, Cera steps forward.

CERA

Last one after Littlefoot's a scaredy-egg!

She bounds off after Littlefoot.

CERA (CONT)

Heee!

The others race off after her.

PETRIE
Me no scaredy-egg!

DUCKY

Cera, wait for us! We are not scaredy-eggs either!

Spike eagerly brings up the rear.

DISSOLVE TO:

LONG SHOT - of our gang traveling up the dry waterfall like the bullies before them. (Note: The bullies are now out of sight.)

INT. MYSTERIOUS BEYOND - THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WATERFALL

The bullies' route has taken them to the far eastern side of the blocked water. The environment has changed drastically. Hot lava beds spew their fiery fare while blacken and burnt trees create frightening shapes amidst the scattering of bones that lie everywhere--reminders of the horrors contained within the Mysterious Beyond. Through this, the bullies cautiously and fearfully make their way, Hyp leading.

CLOSER BULLIES - crossing over a log bridge while steaming lava gurgles and spits all around.

NOD

(frightened)

Are ya, are ya sure this is the right way to the water, Hyp?

HYP Sure I'm sure!

CLOSE ON HYP - Doubt and fear crossing his face. He covers with:

HYP (CONT)
(covering)

I'm a... just taking us this special way so we don't run into any stupid sharpteeth.

ANOTHER ANGLE - Hyp and Nod jump off the log bridge, causing it to wobble dangerously while Mutt is still on it. Mutt reacts fearfully, clinging to the log so he won't fall.

MUTT

Ieee!

ON MUTT - He looks down and gulps.

MUTT

(Gulp!)

HIS POV - The fiery muck gurgles up at him from below.

MUTT - springs to his feet and races after the others.

MUTT

Wait for me!

ON NOD AND HYP - now making their way over jagged boulders. The going is not easy, though it is obvious that Hyp, being a hypsilophodon, is much more gazelle-like in his ability to negotiate rough terrain.

NOD/HYP

(strained exertions as they jump from rock to rock)

PULL BACK TO INCLUDE MUTT - trying to catch up.

MUTT

C'mon, guys! Wait! (Strained jumping from rock to rock exertions)

Mutt leaps to a large rock that instantly begins crumbling under his feet.

MUTT (CONT)

Aaa-Aaa-Aaaa!

He barely manages to scramble off the next rock before it dissolves into the burning lava.

ON HYP - calling back over his shoulder before he takes another leap.

HYP

Stop whining, Mutt! This is easy!

He leaps.

HYP (CONT)

(Big strained exertion)

ON LARGE BOULDER - as Hyp lands then scrambles for balance.

HYP (CONT) (reminiscent of

Mutt)

Aaa-aaa-aaa!

He regains his balance then brightens.

HYP (CONT)

Well whaddya know!

NOD'S POV - A small pool of shimmering water.

HYP (CONT)

A little watering hole--

BACK ON HYP - as WHAM, THUNK, Nod and Mutt land next to him.

TTUM/GON

Oof!/Ow!

HYP

Just for me!

He leaps off toward the water.

HYP (CONT)

You guys can have some.

Mutt and Nod brighten, then take at:

HYP (CONT)

If I leave any!

Mutt and Nod scowl.

ON WATER - Hyp happily splashes into the center of the pond.

HYP

Wa-hoo! Water!

ANOTHER ANGLE - He starts drinking when he notices that he's beginning to sink. He is, of course, in a tar pit.

HYP (CONT) (Slurp, slurp) Huh?!

He struggles, trying to pull his feet out, which causes him to sink further.

HYP (CONT)
(Struggling exertions) I'm sinking! I'm SINKING!!

ANGLE TO INCLUDE MUTT AND NOD - as they race in and stand helplessly, blinking in disbelief.

HYP (CONT)
Don't just stand there! Pull
me out!

CLOSE ON MUTT AND NOD - wide-eyed.

MUTT/NOD Oh yeah!/Right!

Suddenly, they panic and back and forth.

NOD Whadda we do?!

MUTT

I dunno. Whaddyz think we should do?!

ON HYP - frantic as he sinks still further.

HYP

Somebody do something! Helllp!

ON LITTLEFOOT, CERA, PETRIE, DUCKY AND SPIKE - following each other over the log bridge when they react:

HYP (CONT-OS)

Heeelllp!!!

LITTLEFOOT

That's Hyp!

The kids dash off.

ON MUTT AND NOD - frantically arguing as the kids race PAST.

NOD/MUTT

YOU pull him out!/But what if I get stuck?!/Then I'll pull you out!/But what if you get stuck?!

ON HYP - frantically struggling as the kids race in to the rescue.

HYP

Get me out! Get me out!!

ON KIDS - FAVORING LITTLEFOOT

LITTLEFOOT

He's stuck in a tar pit!

Littlefoot skids to a halt at the edge of the pit.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

Stop moving, Hyp! It'll only make you sink faster!

- ON HYP - taking. He freezes and doesn't move an inch.

HYP

(Gasp!)

BACK ON LITTLEFOOT - turning to his friends.

LITTLEFOOT (CONT)

We'll have to pull him out! Everybody line up!

WIDE - Quickly, the kids scramble to form a line with Spike acting as the base. He clamps onto Cera's tail. Cera clamps onto Littlefoot's tail and Littlefoot to Ducky. Ducky hangs onto Petrie, who grabs Hyp's head. Meanwhile, Mutt and Nod stand to the side stupidly.

CLOSER PETRIE - clinging to Hyp.

PETRIE

Okay! When me say PULL, PULLLL!

WIDE ON KIDS - pulling for all their worth.

KIDS

(Straining exertions)

ON PETRIE - his grip on Hyp's head slipping.

PETRIE

Huh-oh!

He rapidly adjusts his grip and clings even harder to Hyp's head.

HYF

Hey! You're squishing me!

PETRIE

Sorry.

Not thinking, Petrie let's go of Hyp's head. Instantly, the force of the action causes Hyp to go under.

HYP

Ulp!

Petrie takes then, still being held by Ducky, dives into the tar to save Hyp.

PETRIE

Ya!

Realizing what's happened, Ducky screams:

DUCKY

Petrie!

She turns to the others.

DUCKY (CONT)

PULLL!

WIDER - The kids pull for all their worth. Finally, slowly, they pull Hyp out.

KIDS (CONT)

(Strained exertions then one last big exertion)

Everybody gasps for breath, including the tar-covered Hyp.

KIDS/HYP

(Gasping for breath)

ON MUTT AND NOD - hurrying over to Hyp.

NOD

Are ya, are ya okay, Hyp?! Are ya?!

Hyp gets to his feet.

HYP

Of course I'm okay!

WHAP! He shakes some sticky goo off right into Mutt's face.

HYP (CONT)

I was never NOT okay!

CLOSER MUTT - blinking wide-eyed through the goo as Petrie flaps up.

PETRIE

He a big, fat, fibber!

ON CERA - stomping up to Hyp.

CERA

Yeah! We helped you and you know it!

CLOSER HYP - For a moment, he looks vulnerable... but the moment passes and he snaps back defensively.

HYP

I don't need anybody's help! Not now, not ever!

ON DUCKY AND SPIKE - Spike lowers his head so his sister can climb aboard. He raises her to Hyp's height so she can direct her comment to him.

DUCKY

But everybody needs help some time. They do!

ON HYP - He sounds his disagreement then turns to leave.

HYP

Ha!

As Hyp heads away, he takes as he notices Grandpa, Cera's father and an adult Hypsilophodon (Hyp's father), the Ankylosaurus and a TENONTOSAURUS, coming toward him.

CAMERA TRUCKS IN FAST ON THE ADULT HYPSILOPHODON - There's a scowl on his face.

BACK ON HYP - suddenly fear stricken.

HYP

(little voice)

Help.

He dashes behind our heroes to hide.

CLOSER ADULTS

CERA'S FATHER

There they are!

ON KIDS - fearful as the grave-faced adults approach. (NOTE: Hyp stays hidden behind the kids.)

GRANDPA

Littlefoot?! This is no time to go exploring!

ON GRANDPA AND LITTLEFOOT - Grandpa leans IN.

GRANDPA (CONT)

Didn't you realize you wondered into the Mysterious Beyond?!

LITTLEFOOT

We weren't exploring, Grandpa. We were trying to stop the bullies, um, I mean Hyp--

ON HYP'S FATHER reacting to hearing:

LITTLEFOOT (CONT-OS)

--and his friends or they mighta gotten hurt!

Angry, Hyp's father circles around the kids until he gets a clear view of his cowering son.

HYP'S FATHER

Hyp! Here we are chasing after you-

DOWNSHOT ON HYP - cringing under the shadow of his father.

HYP'S FATHER (CONT-OS)

--when we should be finding a way to free the water!

UPSHOT ON HYP'S FATHER

HYP'S FATHER (CONT)

I thought I told you to stay where it was safe!

ON HYP - looking up at his father, his eyes full of fear... and bitterness.

ON HYP'S FATHER - taking aback, then scowling:

HYP'S FATHER (CONT)
Don't look at me that way!
I'm your father and I KNOW
what's best for you!

PAN TO CERA'S FATHER - He's obviously taken aback by what he's just witnessed. Then, a light of recognition goes on for him. He sees himself mirrored in Hyp's father. He signs then approaches Hyp's father.

CERA'S FATHER (Sigh) Yelling is no way to teach your child what is right... or to show that you care.

Hyp's father faces him angrily.

HYP'S FATHER How would you know?!

Cera's father struggles with expressing himself.

CERA'S FATHER
I know because... Because I have a daughter... And I...

CERA'S FATHER - looks toward his daughter.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT) ... yell at her... too much. Especially when I'm worried for her safety.

ON CERA - pawing the ground, self-consciously.

CERA

Awww, you don't have to worry about me, daddy...

BACK ON CERA'S DAD - as he turns to HYP'S DAD.

CERA'S FATHER

If you always react with anger, that's all your son will know...

Hyp's father reacts to:

CERA'S FATHER (CONT) And, that's all he'll be able to express to others.

Hyp's father looks toward his son. FOLLOW his look to the kids and bullies. Simultaneously, the kids and bullies all look toward Hyp, who feigns innocence.

HYP

(defensively)

What?

BACK ON CERA'S AND HYP'S FATHERS as Grandpa and the other remaining adults gather around.

CERA'S FATHER

I know now that we can't live together that way...

Cera's father regards the adults around him.

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

With such anger between us.

CLOSER CERA'S FATHER

CERA'S FATHER (CONT)

Our kids found water because they worked together. Now we must work together too.

WIDER - THE GATHER ADULTS nod and GRANDPA smiles.

GRANDPA

At last we all agree.

CLOSER CERA'S FATHER - He grins and nods too.

ON BULLIES - watching. Mutt is sniffing and on the verge of tears.

MUTT

(Sniffing, about to cry sounds)

CLOSER - Hyp turns on him.

HYP

Aah! What's the matter with you?!

Mutt sniffles again.

MUTT

(Sniffle) Nothin' except I think we're in trouble.

Hyp tosses the comment off.

HYP

Yeah, so, what else is new?

Mutt indicates OS.

MUTT

(still crying)

That.

THEIR POV - A vicious-looking VELOCIRAPTER glares at them hungrily from behind a boulder.

VELOCIRAPTER

(Hungry, vicious drooling)

BACK ON BULLIES - They take then remain wide-eyed and nearly comatose. Mutt's eyes swivel and spot something OS. He gulps.

MUTT

(Gulp!)

(squeeking)

And that.

Hyp's and Nod's eyes swivel in the same direction. They gulp too.

HYP/NOD

Gulp!/Gulp!

PULL BACK INTO WIDE SHOT - to see FOUR VELOCIRAPTORS popping up all around the adult search party and the kids.

VELOCIRAPTORS

(Vicious growls)

QUICK SHOTS OF KIDS AND ADULTS reacting fearfully.

KIDS/ADULTS

(Various gasps and "oh's")

CLOSE ON VELOCIRAPTOR AT CAMERA - snarling.

VELOCIRAPTOR

(SNARRRLLL!!!)

ON ADULTS - reacting fearfully. Grandpa runs in front of the children and shields them with his body.

GRANDPA

Children! Stay behind me!

WIDER - Cera's father runs IN to join him.

CERA'S FATHER

And me!

ON ANKYLOSAUR AND TENONTOSAUR - running to join them too.

ANKYLOSAUR

Count us in too!

DOWNSHOT ON ALL - The four adults have formed a semi-circle in front of the kids. Hyp's father stays off to the side, darting back and forth nervously. Meanwhile, the velociraptors close in.

VELOCIRAPTORS

(Snarling)

ON GRANDPA - calling back to Littlefoot and co.

GRANDPA

Littlefoot! You and your friends run to safety!

Suddenly, Grandpa dodges the vicious jaws of Velociraptor #1...

VELOCIRAPTOR #1

(SNARRRLL!)

...then knocks the sharptooth toward Cera's father with his massive tail.

GRANDPA (CONT)

--(Strained exertion) We'll hold off the sharpteeth!

ON CERA'S FATHER - head butting the sharptooth with a tremendous force.

CERA'S FATHER

(RAAAAH!)

VELOCIRAPTOR #1

(Scream!)

FOLLOW VELOCIRAPTOR #1 - as he slides backwards into a huge side of granite--slamming into it hard. He shakes his head clear and is about to right himself when...

PULL BACK TO SEE a large boulder tittering above him. WHAM! It falls and hits its mark. Velociraptor #1 is down for the count.

VELOCIRAPTOR #1 (CONT) (Shaking his head clear sound, then big SNARL then... Ugh...)

WIDE - Having one less sharptooth to deal with has created an opening that Hyp's father hurries the kids and bullies through.

HYP'S FATHER

Through here, kids! Follow me!

CLOSER KIDS AND BULLIES - racing through the temporary opening after Hyp's father.

ON GRANDPA - guarding the kids' escape route just as Velociraptor #2 jumps INTO SHOT, screaming his fury.

VELOCIRAPTOR #2

(SNARL!!!)

Grandpa bats him away--but not hard enough. The raptor rolls over, rights himself, then, screaming viciously, lunges at Grandpa again.

VELOCIRAPTOR #2 (SNARRRLLL!)

ON HYP'S FATHER, BULLIES AND KIDS - running away.

KIDS/BULLIES

(Fearful breathing)

LITTLEFOOT stops to look back at his fighting Grandpa.

LITTLEFOOT

Grandpa!

Hyp's father hurries back after him and gruffly urges him onward.

HYP'S FATHER

(gruffly)

Don't look back! C'mon!

Helpless to do anything, Littlefoot races after the others, Hyp's father right behind him.

BACK ON ADULTS - VARIOUS ANGLES - The remaining three raptors keep trying to get past the adults to chase after the others but the adults continue to block their way.

VELOCIRAPTORS

(Snarls!)

GRANDPA

We can't let them pass!

ON TENONTOSAURUS - He is less willing to fight than the others and the raptors know it as they move toward him.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

TENONTOSAURS

(Frightened gasp!)

The tenontosaur turns to use his tail, but insteading of attacking, the three raptors charge over him and around him!

RAPTORS

(Screams!)

CLOSER TENTONTOSAUR - turning to look, surprised at not seeing his attackers.

WIDER - as the other adults rush past him, after the raptors.

CERA'S FATHER

They've gone after the children!

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. EDGE OF RAVINE

PAN DOWN to find the KIDS and BULLIES following after HYP'S FATHER as they race along the dry riverbed toward the dried up waterfall. Behind them looms the rocks and boulders that dam the water.

HYP'S FATHER

Stay close! We're going to get help!

ANOTHER ANGLE - As they continue to race along the dried riverbend, they are suddenly stopped by horrific snarls and screams.

RAPTERS

(SNARLS! SCREAMS!)

Skidding to a halt, Hyp's father, the kids and bullies look up ahead and gasp.

HYP'S FATHER/KIDS/BULLIES

(Gasps!)

UPSHOT ON EDGE OF RAVINE IN FRONT OF THEM - The raptors are above, screaming their impending attack.

RAPTORS

(Screams!)

WIDE ON RAPTORS - about to descend after the kids when Grandpa, Cera's father, the Ankylosaur and the Tenontosaur race IN.

CLOSER CERA'S FATHER

CERA'S FATHER

Stop where you are, sharpteeth!

ON RAPTORS - angrily turning to confront the adults.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

ON KIDS, BULLIES, AND HYP'S FATHER - still looking upward when they notice the raptors moving away from the edge.

CERA

They're leaving!

CLOSER HYP'S FATHER - worried.

HYP'S FATHER

: Yes, but why?

ON ADULTS AND RAPTORS - facing off.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

DOWNSHOT ON KIDS, BULLIES AND HYP'S FATHER - reacting to the horrifying roars and screams from above.

ADULTS/RAPTORS

(Growls, screams and shrieks!)

HYP

Something **bad** is happening up there!

ON BULLIES - Terrified, Mutt and Nod begin running TOWARD CAMERA.

MUTT/NOD

Aaaaaa!

When they react to:

HYP

Stop you babies!

They stop dead in their tracks, terrified of Hyp.

ANOTHER ANGLE - as Hyp races past between them.

HYP (CONT)

Me first!

ON HYP'S FATHER - turning to call to his fleeing son.

HYP'S FATHER

Hyp!

Then, there's the sound of an AVALANCHE!

ON LITTLEFOOT - terrified, and indicating OS.

LITTLEFOOT

Look!

UPSHOT ON RAVINE'S EDGE - as it gives way under the vicious battering of the fight. Adults and raptors tumble down the side of the ravine to the dry riverbed below.

RAPTORS

(Screams!)

ON KIDS AND HYP'S FATHER - watching in terror.

CERA

Oh no! Daddy!

LITTLEFOOT

Grandpa!

ON ADULTS - collapsed and unmoving on the riverbed floor.

ON RAPTORS - They shake their heads clear and get to their feet.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

PULL BACK INTO A LONG SHOT - We should now see clearly how this has all panned out. The kids are closest to the dam, with the raptors between them and the adults. It appears that the adults have met their end...

ON RAPTORS IN F.G - shrieking their victory over the fallen adults that still lie in the B.G.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

ANOTHER ANGLE - The hungry raptors close in on their six tons of fallen prey...

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

ON KIDS, BULLIES AND HYP'S FATHER - watching fearfully. The dam is in view in the b.g. Hyp's father turns to look back at the dam and then at the kids.

HYP'S FATHER
You kids get to the top of that dam where it's safer!

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT AND HYP'S FATHER

LITTLEFOOT

But what about the grown-ups?!

Hyp's father races OUT OF SHOT.

HYP'S FATHER

(gruff)

Just get outta here! I'll handle this!

PULL BACK - Unsure of just what to do, the kids start up the rock dam, Cera leading.

CERA

C'mon!

ON HYP'S FATHER - He races toward the attacking raptors.

ANOTHER ANGLE - as he races in and out of their ranks, trying to disorient them. They SNAP at him, missing as he nimbly moves in and out of their range.

RAPTORS

(SNAPS!)

ON BULLIES - climbing up the other side of the ravine when they look back below.

NOD

Look at your dad risking his neck.

TTUM

Yeah, what a dope.

Hyp glares at his friends.

HYP

He is not!

CLOSER HYP - He turns to look at his dad, his face filled with worry.

WIDER - as he rushes back down the ravine.

HYP (CONT)

Dad!

FOLLOW HYP - LOW ANGLE - as he races toward his father, who now stands breathlessly between the fallen adults and the raptors. The adults are slowly coming to and getting to their feet.

ON HYP - coming to a halt in back of the raptors.

HYP

Nyah! Nyah! Can't get me!

ON HYP'S FATHER - worried for his son.

HYP'S FATHER

Son!

THE RAPTORS - turn partially toward Hyp, annoyed at the interruption.

RAPTORS

(Low growls...)

ON HYP - terrified!

HYP

Ulp!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE - the raptors approaching...

RAPTORS

(Snarl!)

...when, suddenly, they're WHACKED aside by Grandpa's powerful tail!

ON ADULTS, INCLUDING HYP'S FATHER - enraged and closing in on raptors.

CERA'S FATHER

(ROAR!)

UPSHOT ON KIDS - cheering.

LITTLEFOOT

The grown-ups are all right!

KIDS

(Cheering!)

THE RAPTORS - turn and run from the approaching adults.

RAPTORS

(Shrieks!)

ON HYP - turning and running from the raptors!

HYP

I'm outta here!

FOLLOW HYP - He races in the direction of the kids, scrambling up the rock dam after them.

HYP (CONT)

Littlefoot! Guys! Wait!

ANOTHER ANGLE - Just as he almost reaches the kids, he stumbles, causing rocks to loosen and fall.

HYP (CONT)

Wait! Oof!

FOLLOW ROCKS - As they fall, they loosen other rocks that also fall. FOLLOW THESE tumbling rocks until the RAPTORS come INTO VIEW. The raptors are heading up the dam after the kids when they are waylaid and hit by falling rocks.

RAPTORS

(Snarls!)

ONE RAPTOR - takes just seconds before a large bowling ball of a rock crashes into him, knocking him silly.

RAPTOR

(Scream!)

He stumbles backwards toward the approaching adults.

ON CERA'S FATHER - charging PAST CAMERA.

CERA'S FATHER

(ROAR!)

OS WHACK!

ON RAPTOR - being thrown against the dam. Rocks tumble down

all around and on top of him. He's finished.

ON PETRIE - flapping happily next to Hyp as he watches.

PETRIE

That serve sharptooth right! He bigger bully than you!

HYP takes then:

HYP

(to Petrie)

Hey?! Watch it!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE KIDS, FAVORING LITTLEFOOT

LITTLEFOOT

C'mon! Let's get 'em with more rocks!

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT AND KIDS - as they struggle to push a big boulder (as per their size, of course) as Hyp ENTERS.

KIDS

(Strained exertions)

HYP

Are you nuts?! By the time you budge that, those sharpteeth will be picking their teeth with our bones!

Still, they push.

KIDS

(Strained exertions)

LITTLEFOOT

(straining)

We gotta try!

CLOSER HYP - torn with what to do.

WIDER - Suddenly, he joins in and helps to push.

HYP

Move over, hatchlings!

Littlefoot smiles at Hyp, then goes back to work. They push for all they're worth.

KIDS/HYP

(Straining)

Suddenly, Hyp stops.

HYP

This isn't gonna work!

He takes off, leaving Littlefoot to call after him.

LITTLEFOOT

Hyp!

CERA

Forget him, Littlefoot! He's a creep!

ON BULLIES - Hyp's got his two terrified cohorts pushed in front of him.

HYP

Who you calling names?!

He shoves Mutt and Nod forward.

HYP (CONT)

Now get in there and help--you creeps!

THE KIDS stop pushing momentarily and brighten as the bullies place themselves to help.

HYP (CONT)

Okay, everybody! Lets get 'em!

They push.

BULLIES/KIDS

(Strained exertions)

CLOSER BOULDER - It finally budges and rolls OUT OF SHOT.

KIDS/BULLIES

(Once last big strain!)

DOWNSHOT ON BOULDER - tumbling and careening down. As it bounces, it loosens other rocks, causing a small avalanche that overtakes the two raptors and knocks them back to the riverbed floor--next to their already fallen companion.

RAPTORS

(Screams!)

ON KIDS AND BULLIES - cheering.

KIDS/BULLIES

(Cheers!)

LITTLEFOOT

We did it!

The two raptors shake their heads clear, then scream their revenge when they react to:

RAPTORS

(SNARLS!)

GRANDPA (OS)

Leave our children alone!

ON GRANDPA, CERA'S FATHER, ANKYLOSAURUS, AND TENONTOSAURUS - fiercely facing the rapters.

BACK ON KIDS AND BULLIES - worried.

LITTLEFOOT

We've got to stop the fighting!

ON CERA - frantically head-butting rocks down toward the raptors.

CERA

(Three short exertions) Then let's squish those sharpteeth once and for all!

ON RAPTORS " screaming their anger as they avoid the few tumbling rocks.

RAPTORS

(SNARLS!)

They snarl their anger up at the top of the dam, then turn their attention back to the grown-ups.

RAPTORS

(SNARLS!)

DOWNSHOT - The two raptors lunge at the adults who quickly back away.

RAPTORS

(SNARLS!)

BACK ON BULLIES AND KIDS - watching the events below.

CERA

Now what?

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT - Suddenly, he reacts to the SOUND OF RUNNING WATER.

LITTLEFOOT

Huh?

He looks down at his feet and takes.

LITTLEFOOT'S POV - water is flowing under their feet. His reflection looks up at him urgently before turning to look at something OS. Then, his reflection looks back at him one more time before fading away.

LITTLEFOOT looks where his reflection was looking.

WATER is flowing through where the boulder use to be.

LITTLEFOOT turns to the others.

LITTLEFOOT

Look! Water! We unblocked the water!

PAN TO WATER - It trickles, then gurgles, then splurts! As the water gushes harder and harder, more rocks are washed away which, in turn, releases more water!

WIDE - The kids and bullies dash away as the water bursts!

ON GROWN-UPS - backing off slightly from the cornered raptors when the SOUND of FLOODING WATER makes them look up and take.

GRANDPA

Run!

The grown-ups head for the side of the ravine and begin to climb...

THE RAPTORS - turn and look too. THEY TAKE.

THEIR POV - Tons of water is headed straight at them!

THE RAPTORS dash to the opposite side of the ravine and madly scramble up it as water crashes into the dry riverbed.

ON WATER - CAMERA TRAVELS with it as it races over the FALLS. CAMERA CIRCLES AROUND FOR A SPECTACULAR ARIEL VIEW.

WIDE ON RAVINE - Our heroes are on one side, the raptors are on the other. The raging river is between them.

The velocirapters scream their frustration and then depart.

RAPTORS (Screams of frustration)

ON LITTLEFOOT AND CO.

CLOSER LITTLEFOOT AND GRANDPA - Grandpa leans down and nuzzles his grandson.

GRANDPA

Looks like you and your friends saved the day, Littlefoot.

LITTLEFOOT
I think we all did, Grandpa!

WIDEN TO INCLUDE EVERYONE - Cera is with her father, Hyp stands proudly next to his father, Petrie and Ducky stand with Spike, who stands between Nod and Mutt.

CLOSER SPIKE, DUCKY, PETRIE, MUTT AND NOD - Spike turns and licks Mutt then Nod.

SPIKE (Slurp! Slurp!)

Ducky giggles.

DUCKY (giggling)

Spike likes you now! He does!

CLOSER MUTT AND NOD - They smile dopey half-grins.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXTREME WIDE DOWNSHOT ON VALLEY

The various groups of dinosaurs who had used different paths to escape the fire, descend back into the Valley.

NARRATOR (VO)

And so, with the return of the water, the Great Valley dinosaurs were able to go home again.

ON LITTLEFOOT'S RETURNING GROUP - INCLUDING GRANDMA - They look out over the Valley. There are still spots of greenery all over the Valley as the fire has just burnt out sections.

NARRATOR (CONT-VO) But the home they returned to wasn't the same. Fire had destroyed much of their green food...

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. VALLEY - WIDE ANGLE DOWNSHOT

Different groups of dinosaurs head out in different directions.

NARRATOR (CONT-VO) But instead of giving in to despair, the dinosaurs divided into groups to find the spots where green food still grew.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. VALLEY - A GREEN SPOT

Various dinosaurs, including our STAR ADULTS, dine just as the kids and bullies, led by Hyp and Littlefoot race INTO SHOT.

CLOSER KIDS AND BULLIES - coming to a halt.

LITTLEFOOT

Hey, everybody! We found more green food!

SLIGHT UPSHOT ON DINOSAURS - excited. OUR STAR ADULTS, Grandpa, Grandma, Cera's father, and Hyp's father smile proudly.

DINOSAURS

Did you hear that?!/More green food!/How wonderful!

HYP'S FATHER approaches his son.

HYP'S FATHER
 (gruff)

Where?!

Realizing his mistake, he clears his throat and tries again.

HYP'S FATHER (CONT)

I mean (clearing his

throat)...

(then, gently)

Where, son?

HYP

In a little canyon not far from here, Pop!

CLOSER HYP - Nod and Mutt appear on either side of him.

HYP (CONT)

If we share there should be enough for everyone!

Nod asides to Hyp.

NOD

(sotto)

You feeling okay, Hyp? You're talking about sharing!

Mutt responds loudly.

MUTT

Aaa, yeah! Sharing!

HYP

I know that!

He threatens his two cohorts.

HYP (CONT)

NOT sharing is for scaredy-eggs! RIGHT?!

Nod and Mutt nod feebly.

NOD/MUTT

(frightened)

Right.

ON LITTLEFOOT, DUCKY, CERA, PETRIE AND SPIKE - giggling at this.

KIDS

(Giggling)

CLOSER DUCKY - nodding happily.

DUCKY

Sharing is good! Yep, yep, yep!

WIDER - Spike licks her and she giggles.

SPIKE

(Slurp!)

DUCKY

(Giggle)

BACK ON HYP

HYP

C'mon! Everybody follow me!

WIDE DOWNSHOT - As Hyp runs off, the kids follow as do the rest of the dinosaurs.

NARRATOR (VO)

And so, as it turned out, the dinosaurs traveled from green spot to green spot, eating their fill...

ANOTHER ANGLE - as Hyp, Littlefoot and the kids lead the dinosaurs.

NARRATOR (VO-CONT)
...each helping the others to
find what they needed...

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. HIDDEN CANYON

ON TREESTAR - Littlefoot reaches INTO SHOT and picks it off a little tree.

NARRATOR (VO-CONT)
...each learning the special kind of joy--

FOLLOW him as he hands the treestar to Mutt, who is just about to gobble it when he changes his mind.

NARRATOR (VO-CONT)
--which comes from giving to others.

WLDER - Mutt turns to Hyp and hands him the treestar.

NARRATOR (CONT-VO) And, in the years to come...

HYP takes it then hands it to Nod...

...who is just about to gobble it when he changes his mind and hands it to Cera.

CERA hands it Ducky...

... who hands it to Petrie...

... who hands it to Spike, who devours it happily.

NARRATOR (CONT-VO) ...this story of sharing was told over and over again.

HOLD ON SPIKE - munching.

SPIKE

(Munching)

The kids and ex-bullies gather around to giggle at Spike, who eats contently.

SPIKE (CONT)

(Munching)

KIDS/BULLIES

(Giggling)

NARRATOR (VO)
Until it became known as--

DISSOLVE TO:

THE WATERFALL - flowing spectacularly.

NARRATOR (VO-CONT)

--The Time Of The Great Giving.

MUSIC UP

OTS LITTLEFOOT - leaning over the water to catch a glimpse of his reflection. His reflection smiles up at him and winks.

ON LITTLEFOOT - He smiles and winks back.

TRUCK OUT for LONG SHOT of Littlefoot at the water's edge as his friends begin to gather around.

RACK FOCUS to a PARTIALLY BURNT TREE - It's buds are beginning to blossom anew...

FADE OUT

THE END